

The General Street Railway bill as passed by the Assembly is a great improvement on the measure as it left the hands of the Senate. In

Of course Mr. Davidson's political friends and allies will insist that this is a vindication for him, and that the Governor should give him a certificate of good character. But will just and honest men forget the long, black record of extortion, blackmail, oppression, injustice and fraud practised in the Sheriff's office under the administration of Mr. Davidson? The facts are plain for all to see in the evidence taken by the Roosevelt Committee. Even if Mr. Olney has failed to secure a conviction on a minor charge, Mr. Davidson has not cleaned himself of the stains left by that investigation, and he never can. No high-minded and conscientious Governor who studies the story of infamy unfolded by

George H. Pendleton is reported as remarking in the course of a recent interview that the difference between the two parties to-day on Civil Service reform is that "Republicans are 'shrewd enough to express a great deal more 'sympathy with Civil Service reform than they 'really feel'; Democrats do not feel as much 'sympathy as they ought to or express as much 'as they feel.'"

§ Probably no archaeological work now in progress or about to be undertaken deserves a more cordial support than the excavation of 850, the Zean of the Bible and the tomb of the Great. This work, which has been begun by the Egypt Exploration Fund Society, is under the charge of M. Naville, the eminent Swiss Egyptologist, and Mr. Petrie, whose book on the Pyramids of Gizeh has placed him in the front rank of explorers in Egypt, and is encouraged by such distinguished English Orientalists as R. S. Poole, LL. D., of the British Museum, and Miss Amelia B. Edwards. Zean was built by the Pharaoh of Joseph, was restored and wonderfully embellished by Ramses II., and was a favorite residence of the Pharaoh of the Exodus. It was, says a circular sent out by the society, 'not only the chief city of the Delta during the most interesting two or three thousand years of Egyptian history, but it was also the key of the northeastern frontier, the great centre of border history, and the seat of Government nearest the land of Goshen. No site in Egypt, or in the whole East, is known to be so rich in buried monuments, numbers of which just show themselves on the surface of the mounds. None is richer in historical promise.' The excavation will cost from \$20,000, to \$25,000. A considerable part of this sum has already been collected in England and several contributions have been forwarded from this country. Every subscriber of \$5 or more is entitled to a copy of M. Naville's 'Pythom,' now in press. The Rev. W. C. Winslow of No. 429 Beacon-st., Boston, has undertaken to

Last summer a couple of bull-dogs, male and female, belonging to Henry Smith and Timothy Quinlan, of Norwich, Conn., entered into an offensive and defensive alliance for the purpose of exterminating all the cats in that peaceful village. They invariably hunted in partnership, the flector of the two overhauling their victim and the latter coming up in time to complete the slaughter. Not fewer than a score of cats succumbed to this combined attack last summer, and the dogs have been rewarded for their services by a bounty of about \$100 from the warpath. A twenty-five dollar bounty has

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